GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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INDIAN MISSION IN ISLAMABAD
NARESH KUMAR PUGLIA

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Mission in Islamabad (Pakistan) is vulnerable to attacks from Pakistani fundamentalists in the present scenario;

(b) if so, whether any measures have been taken by the Government for the safety and security of the Indian Mission; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH)

(a) Yes, Sir. There is a heightened security threat perception to a large number of diplomatic missions based in Islamabad, including the Indian High Commission.

(b)&(c) Government of Pakistan itself has taken several measures to enhance the security of diplomatic missions in Islamabad. The Indian High Commission has also apprised the Pakistan authorities of its concerns regarding security of the Indian Mission and residential premises in Islamabad.